Requirements for the Speech and Hearing Clinician Certificate K-12 (293)

You will be eligible for a targeted need certificate upon completion of 6 graduate semester hours of coursework.

You will be eligible for a conditional certificate upon completion of 12 graduate semester hours of coursework.

You will be issued a professional certificate, either a two-year provisional certificate or a five-year professional certificate if you complete Section A. OR Section B. and Sections C., D., E. and F.

NOTE: If you are employed as a Speech Pathologist, Maine educational certification is not required, but you need to hold valid fingerprinting approval through Maine DOE. Please check with the Maine Licensing Bureau for their requirements.

NOTE: The number in () indicates the number of graduate semester hours required
Section A:
Master's degree in speech disorders
Section B:
1. A Master's degree equivalent in speech disorders/speech communications
2. Speech coursework (21) - diagnosis of speech disorders; aural rehabilitation; voice
disorders; articulation; fluency disorders; speech science; stuttering; language disorders;
other graduate speech disorders courses
3. Clinical practicum in speech disorders (3)
4. Additional graduate courses (6) - may be additional speech courses
Section C:
Criminal history record check approval – based on fingerprints
Section D:
Teaching exceptional students in the regular classroom (3)***
Section E: PRAXIS II
Teaching Speech to Students w/Language Impairments Test Code 0881/5881 Score 152
Section F: Principles of Learning and Teaching
K-6 Test Code 0622/5622 Score 160 or 7-12 Test Code 0624/5624 Score 157

If this requirements list is more than two years old, please contact the certification office, as the requirements may have changed.

Fingerprint schedule on web site www.identogo.com

Speech and Language Clinician is considered a shortage (targeted need) area, so the requirements for certification have been lowered to allow for more teachers to be hired.

***These credits may be earned through coursework or through completion of an approved inservice program taken since July 1975 and approved by the Maine Department of Education's Certification Office. This requirement may not be met through experience.

Required semester hours shall consist of non-duplicative coursework: examples: only one English Composition course or only one Algebra I course. Courses must be 100 level or higher from a four-year accredited college offering a bachelor's degree.

Register at www.ets.org/praxis/me/requirements

Applicants for 293 Speech & Hearing Clinician (K-12) may meet a passing score on either PRAXIS II Test Code 0880 or PRAXIS II Test Code 0881/5881 until 8-31-16. As of 9-1-16, all applicants must meet a passing score on test 0881/5881.

Applicants for certificates requiring the Principles of Learning and Teaching (PLT) PRAXIS exam for Kindergarten to Grade 8 may meet a passing score on either PLT Test Code 0522 or PLT Test Code 0622/5622 until 8-31-16. As of 9-1-16, all applicants must meet a passing score on test 0622/5622.

Applicants for certificates requiring the Principles of Learning and Teaching (PLT) PRAXIS exam for Secondary Grades 7-12 or Vocational (Career & Technical Education) Grades 9-12 may meet a passing score on either PLT Test Code 0524 or PLT Test Code 0624/5624 until 8-31-16. As of 9-1-16, all applicants must meet a passing score on test 0624/5624.

Applicants for special K-12 certificates requiring the Principles of Learning and Teaching (PLT) PRAXIS exam may meet a passing score on either the K-8 PLT OR the 7-12 PLT as described above.

A provisional certificate is issued to an applicant who has met all of the requirements but has not taught for two school years in a Maine school with a Professional Learning Community Support System (PLCSS). Once an applicant has taught for two school years in a Maine school and been recommended for a five-year certificate by the local school district's PLCSS, the full five-year certificate will be issued.